

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A method of displaying telephone numbers on a client computer comprising:

in response to a user selecting a data unit for display, scanning the data unit for telephone numbers

automatically identifying at least one telephone number within the data unit

packaging an object corresponding to the identified telephone number, wherein

the object is defined such that the telephone number is activatable

the object defines a function for sending a data trigger to a switch over a data network to initiate a telephone call over a telephone network between a first telephone corresponding to a previously stored telephone number associated with the user of the client computer and a second telephone corresponding to the identified telephone number

when the identified telephone number is displayed as part of a display of the data unit, causing the identified telephone number to have a display attribute which renders the identified telephone number conspicuous to a the user.

Claim 2 (Previously presented): The method of displaying telephone numbers of claim 1

wherein the method is performed as a consequence of an instruction to display the data unit.

Claim 3 (Previously presented): The method of displaying telephone numbers of claim 1 wherein the data unit is part of a file, wherein only a portion of the file is displayable.

Claim 4 (Previously presented): The method of displaying telephone numbers of claim 1 wherein the data unit includes displayable text intermixed with non-displayable data.

Claim 5 (Original): The method of displaying telephone numbers of claim 1 further comprising detecting an activation instruction by the user of a displayed telephone number causing a telephone call to be initiated using the displayed telephone number.

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The method of displaying telephone numbers of claim 1 wherein the display attribute is selected from the group comprising: a distinctive color, underlining, a distinctive font, highlighting on mouse roll-over, and a right-click menu.

Claim 7 (Canceled)

Claim 8 (Canceled)

Claim 9 (Canceled)

Claim 10 (Canceled)

Claim 11 (Previously presented): The method of displaying telephone numbers of claim 1 further comprising

embedding the object in the data unit, the object including a hook for allowing initiation of telephone calls using the identified telephone number.

Claim 12 (Previously presented): A client computer for displaying telephone numbers, the client computer comprising:

a user input device

a display device

a processor

a memory

wherein the processor and the memory comprise circuits and software for

in response to a user selecting a data unit for display, scanning the data unit for telephone numbers before displaying the data unit

automatically identifying at least one telephone number within the data unit

packaging an object corresponding to the identified telephone number, wherein

the object is defined such that the telephone number is activatable

the object defines a function for sending a data trigger to a switch over a data network to initiate a telephone call over a telephone network between a first telephone corresponding to a previously stored telephone number associated with the user of the client computer and a second telephone corresponding to the identified telephone number

when the identified telephone number is displayed as part of a display of the data unit, causing the identified telephone number to have a display attribute which renders the identified telephone number conspicuous to a user.

Claim 13 (Previously presented): The client computer for displaying telephone numbers of claim 12 further comprising

circuits and software for scanning the data unit as a consequence of an instruction to display the data unit.

Claim 14 (Previously presented): The client computer for displaying telephone numbers of claim 12, wherein the data unit is part of a file, wherein only a portion of the file is displayable.

Claim 15 (Previously presented): The client computer for displaying telephone numbers of claim 12 wherein the data unit includes displayable text intermixed with non-displayable data.

Claim 16 (Original): The client computer for displaying telephone numbers of claim 12 further comprising circuits and software for

detecting an activation instruction by the user of a displayed telephone number causing a telephone call to be initiated using the displayed telephone number.

Claim 17 (Previously presented): The client computer for displaying telephone numbers of claim 12, wherein the display attribute is selected from the group comprising: a distinctive color, underlining, a distinctive font, highlighting on mouse roll-over, and a right-click menu.

Claim 18 (Canceled)

Claim 19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (Canceled)

Claim 21 (Canceled)

Claim 22 (Previously presented): The client computer for displaying telephone numbers of claim 12 further comprising

circuits and software for embedding the object in the data unit, the object including a hook for allowing initiation of telephone calls using the telephone number.

Claim 23 (Currently amended): A computer program product comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein operable in a processor for conspicuously displaying telephone numbers on a client computer, the computer program comprising computer readable code for causing the processor to:

scan a data unit for telephone numbers

automatically identify at least one telephone number within the data unit

package a phone number object corresponding to the ~~at least one~~ identified telephone number, wherein the object is defined such that the telephone number is activatable and the object defines a function for sending a data trigger to a switch over a data network to initiate a telephone call over a telephone network between a first telephone corresponding to a previously

stored telephone number associated with a user of the client computer and a second telephone
corresponding to the identified telephone number

when the identified telephone number is displayed as part of a display of the data unit,
cause the identified telephone number to have a display attribute which renders the identified
telephone number conspicuous to a the user.

Claim 24 (Previously presented): The computer program product of claim 23 further comprising
computer readable code for causing the processor to scan the data unit as a consequence
of an instruction to display the data unit.

Claim 25 (Previously presented): The computer program product of claim 23,
wherein the data unit is part of a file, wherein only a portion of the file is displayable.

Claim 26 (Previously presented): The computer program product of claim 23,
wherein the data unit includes displayable text intermixed with non-displayable data.

Claim 27 (Original): The computer program product of claim 23 further comprising computer
readable code for causing the processor to
detect an activation instruction by the user of a displayed telephone number
cause a telephone call to be initiated using the displayed telephone number.

Claim 28 (Previously presented): The computer program product of claim 23, wherein the display
attribute is selected from the group comprising: a distinctive color, underlining, a distinctive font,
highlighting on mouse roll-over, and a right-click menu.

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Claim 29 (Canceled)

Claim 30 (Canceled)

Claim 31 (Canceled)

Claim 32 (Canceled)

Claim 33 (Previously presented): The computer program product of claim 23 further comprising computer readable code for causing the processor to embed the object in the data unit, the object including a hook for allowing initiation of telephone calls using the telephone numbers.